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The Basics Book

Writing

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From Real Tests

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Full Stop

At the end of a sentence

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Comma

To separate items in a series

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Colon

To introduce a list

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Semicolon

To join to independent clauses

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Question Mark

To show that it is a question

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Exclamation

After an exclamation

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Slash

To separate letters, numbers etc

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Apostrophe

To show when a letter or a number has been left out

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For email address

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Ellipsis Mark

one or more words have been intentionally left out

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Round Brackets

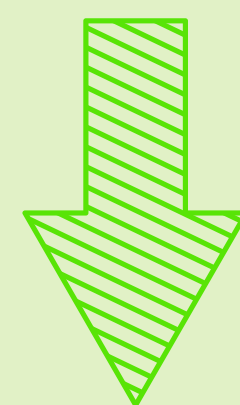
To add extra information to a sentence

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Quotation Marks

to indicate a phrase to show that someone else has written or said it

All 2021, punctuation questions



March, International 2021

structures were built like machines. Conventional construction processes, Oxman observed, were in contrast to the dynamic, organic ways most biological structures occur in **3** nature, there material is not a secondary but an essential aspect of design. By utilizing

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) nature, where
- C) nature. Where
- D) nature,

worldwide. In 2014, Simon **5** Schleicher an architectural designer at the University of Stuttgart, followed Oxman's biomimetic approach in solving a particular engineering **6** challenge: designing shading systems for irregularly shaped glass-paneled skyscrapers.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Schleicher an architectural designer at the University of Stuttgart
- C) Schleicher, an architectural designer, at the University of Stuttgart
- D) Schleicher, an architectural designer at the University of Stuttgart,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) challenge; designing
- C) challenge designing:
- D) challenge designing—

Rubens **16** fills the enormous canvas with

dynamic brushstrokes, sketching out a dramatic battle scene with a fierce, three-armed soldier at its **17** center; planning to paint over one arm later. Three years later,

22 Paintings, by Rubens and Marshall, demonstrate that unfinished works can also provide valuable insights into the interplay between historical contexts and creative decisions.

Mysticete whales are the giants of today's oceans—but when and why did they get so big? One hypothesis holds that around 30 million years ago, early in the whales' evolutionary history, gigantism (a typical length of 10 **23** meters) or more gave the whales a survival advantage because it meant they could outcompete smaller whales for prey. According to

shallow ocean waters, a process called runoff. Changes in air temperature caused wind patterns to shift, **29** that shift in turn triggered a process known as upwelling, causing nutrients from the deep ocean to rise up toward the surface. **30** However, more nutrients meant more

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) center:
- C) center
- D) center,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Paintings by Rubens and Marshall
- C) Paintings—by Rubens and Marshall—
- D) Paintings by Rubens and Marshall,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) meters or more—
- C) meters or more)
- D) meters—or more

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- B) this
- C) which
- D) DELETE the underlined portion.

[1] Together, runoff and upwelling created what one science journalist described **31** as: dense “buffets” for the mysticetes. [2] But these buffets were not continuous;

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) as
- C) as;
- D) as—

gardeners. After the **35** resident’s forced departure, the land returned **36** back to being disused, subject to the slow process of commercial development.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) residents’
- C) residents
- D) resident

serves as a prime example. Local business **40** owner, Christa Blais worked with the city to acquire the property, while students at Fairmont State University built a rainwater-collection system and helped design sections of the garden. **41** Although certain gardeners

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) owner Christa Blais,
- C) owner: Christa Blais,
- D) owner Christa Blais

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[1] Daytime pollinators, such as bees and butterflies, have many well-documented threats, so Dr. Knop's team sought to investigate a potential threat to nocturnal

2 pollinators; artificial light. [2] To do so, the team

are ordinarily dark at night. [3] Before the plants' flowering began, some of the plants were covered with mesh bags to **3** outlaw visits from **4** pollinators, however, others were left unbagged. [4] The scientists

15 Individuals' motives may vary, but job recruiters are finding that many potential employees do indeed share a preference for flexible dress codes, and embracing this preference could help companies attract a wider range of talent. According to a 2016 study, **16** essentially

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) pollinators:
- C) pollinators
- D) pollinators,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) pollinators, while
- C) pollinators, meanwhile,
- D) pollinators so that

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Individuals motives
- C) Individual's motives
- D) Individuals motives'

fun way to express one's individuality. When the accounting firm Crowe Horwath LLP asked workers what changes they would like to see in the **19** workplace, and workers said that dressing casually would help them most **20** with, "being comfortable, being engaged, and being productive," said chief people officer Julie Wood.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) workplace,
- C) workplace;
- D) workplace, while

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) with
- C) with:
- D) with;

objective as it appears. Many search engines collect data from users, such as their locations and search **23** histories, they use what they gather to filter search results. This invisible customization may create what

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) histories; and using
- C) histories they use
- D) histories, and use

Psychologist Robert Epstein has shown how filtered **27** results, can lead to political biases. In an experiment

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) results can lead to:
- C) results, can lead to,
- D) results can lead to

candidate than were participants in other groups. While there is no evidence that commercial search engines intentionally skew their results in favor of certain candidates or **29** positions, filters based on **30** user's browsing history's could produce similarly slanted results.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) positions, however,
- C) positions
- D) positions, however

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) users' browsing history's
- C) users browsing histories
- D) users' browsing histories

A 2015 study led by First Peoples Fund, an organization dedicated to supporting indigenous **34** artists revealed that roughly four out of ten households on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota had home businesses centered on arts or handicrafts. This finding reflects the deeply rooted

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) artists:
- C) artists—
- D) artists,

benefit financially from their art. Local artist and **42** rancher, Tony Richards used to have to drive more than an hour to reach a local cultural center, where he sold his jewelry at the gift shop. "A lot of times I didn't

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) rancher Tony Richards
- C) rancher Tony Richards,
- D) rancher, Tony Richards—

While the organizations behind the project ultimately aim to open a permanent art space and gallery on the reservation to serve as a fixed cultural **43** hub; the art in motion of Rolling Rez Arts will continue. As

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) hub, and while
- C) hub, and
- D) hub,

April, school day
2021

However, rapid technological advancements

render hardware (physical computing devices) and operating **2** systems, software needed to run programs) out-of-date, which makes it difficult for individuals to access old computer programs and associated data files.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) systems, (software
- C) systems (software
- D) systems—software

from 1840 to 1990. This program was created by history professor David Miller in the late **8** 1980s, to help college students engage critically with US history. Owing

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) 1980s
- C) 1980s:
- D) 1980s;

In 2008 Owisokon **12** Lahache—an art teacher at a school for Mohawk students in Kahnawake, Quebec, started looking for a way to teach her pupils about both digital media art and their Mohawk heritage. **13** Lahache

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Lahache, an art teacher at a school for Mohawk students in Kahnawake, Quebec,
- C) Lahache, an art teacher at a school for Mohawk students in Kahnawake, Quebec;
- D) Lahache an art teacher at a school for Mohawk students in Kahnawake, Quebec,

knew. From this phase emerged the narrative the students would soon bring to **16** life, an Iroquois hunter journeys back to his village and defends it against characters from traditional Mohawk legends. **17** For this phase, the

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) life
- C) life;
- D) life:

Best New Media Award. While video games featuring indigenous people have largely been designed without the input of the people **21** themselves. Lahache's workshop is part of a developing trend: indigenous people are using the medium to tell their own stories. As Fragnito

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) themselves; though
- C) themselves,
- D) themselves, and

turbines of tomorrow is Eric Loth. [2] Although many such engineers work in **29** industry, Loth, whose graduate studies in engineering focused on rotors—is employed by the University of Virginia, where he directs the Fluids Research and Innovation Laboratory. [3] Loth

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) industry—Loth—
- C) industry; Loth
- D) industry, Loth—

Environmentally friendly wind power **32** has
become competitive with traditional energy sources such
as coal and oil, but it is still comparatively more expensive
to **33** generate, larger wind turbines can help close that
gap. As a result, the efforts of Loth and others who design

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) generate; and larger
- C) generate. Larger
- D) generate larger

elephant species. Doing so will improve the
36 elephants' chances of survival.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) elephants chances
- C) elephant's chance's
- D) elephants' chance's

African forest elephant. When Rohland and Reich
compared the genome of the savanna elephant to the
genome of the forest **38** elephant. They found almost as
many differences between these African elephants as they
had between the savanna elephant and the Asian
elephant. Since African and Asian elephants had long

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) elephant, they
- C) elephant; they
- D) elephant they

because the elephant's skulls are shaped similarly. But
DNA extracted from straight-tusked elephant fossils
40 revealed a different evolutionary history: their DNA
sequences were more similar to those of the African forest
41 elephant than to those of: the Asian elephant, or the
savanna elephant. This finding supports the division of

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) elephant; than to those of the Asian elephant
- C) elephant, than to those of the Asian elephant,
- D) elephant than to those of the Asian elephant

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venue. [2] The exhibits have proved very **6** popular, in fact more than a million wishes have been written over the past ten years. [3] Visitors have filled tags with

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) popular—in fact—
- C) popular; in fact,
- D) popular in fact,

could see into space. Williams wanted to test the **13** telescopes' capabilities by directing it at a part of the sky with no known objects and recording images over an extended period. Successfully detecting far-off galaxies,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) telescope's capability's
- C) telescope's capabilities
- D) telescopes capabilities

The HDF was a major breakthrough in astronomy, illuminating the early history of the universe and helping astronomers construct a more complete picture of how **21** do galaxies evolve over time? Williams's gamble had

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) do galaxies evolve over time.
- C) galaxies evolve over time.
- D) galaxies evolve over time?

One proven way for marketers to appeal to a target audience is through identity marketing: advertisements that demonstrate the fit between a product and the audience's sense of **23** identity, traditional wisdom holds that the more directly an advertisement connects a product to a particular identity, the more effective that advertisement will be with consumers who share that identity. However, recent evidence suggests that direct

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) identity. Traditional
- C) identity, so traditional
- D) identity and traditional

of identity-marketing messages. The study included both "green" **24** consumers, people whose purchases are especially influenced by the perceived environmental friendliness of a product, and neutral consumers. The

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) consumers: people whose purchases are especially influenced by the perceived environmental friendliness of a product,
- C) consumers, people whose purchases are especially influenced by the perceived environmental friendliness of a product;
- D) consumers people whose purchases are especially influenced by the perceived environmental friendliness of a product,

for consumers"). The researchers then **27** asked, the participants to rate, on a scale of 1 to 7 their likelihood of purchasing the product, with 1 indicating that they were "not at all likely" and 7 that they were "very likely" to do so. At the same time, 28 a group of marketing executives

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) asked the participants to rate on a scale of 1 to 7,
- C) asked the participants: to rate on a scale of 1 to 7
- D) asked the participants to rate on a scale of 1 to 7

development. To address these challenges, Bangladeshi American engineer and **36** architect, Fazlur Rahman Khan developed novel forms of structural tubing, **37** which were later used in the Willis Tower in Chicago.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) architect—Fazlur Rahman Khan
- C) architect Fazlur Rahman Khan,
- D) architect Fazlur Rahman Khan

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photosynthesis. However, this finding does not explain why corals in deeper **4** water; where sunlight is less intense, also fluoresce.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) water—
- C) water,
- D) water

coral tissue, reaching more of the chlorophyll inside. The team therefore **6** hypothesized: that deepwater corals' conversion of blue light into red-orange light maximizes photosynthesis in the symbiotic algae, contributing to better overall coral survival.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) hypothesized that,
- C) hypothesized that—
- D) hypothesized that

In today's marketplace, there is a growing **12** demand for: environmentally friendly business practices. According to a 2009 survey by the Boston

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) demand, for
- C) demand; for
- D) demand for

19 which can yield tangible benefits. The founder of AJ's, Bob **20** Anderson estimates, that the company's

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Anderson, estimates
- C) Anderson, estimates:
- D) Anderson estimates

Francis A. Gregory Neighborhood Library in Washington, DC, features exterior walls that **24** resemble: a tilted checkerboard, alternating clear and opaque squares create a geometric diamond pattern. And

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) resemble a tilted checkerboard,
- C) resemble a tilted checkerboard
- D) resemble a tilted checkerboard:

will be using the building. So central is this research to **28** Adjayes design process's that his architecture firm employs a team of social scientists.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Adjaye's design process
- C) Adjayes' design process
- D) Adjayes design process

Other architects, of course, conduct and rely on research when they design buildings, **32** but Adjaye's body of work has been defined by it. **33** Whether or not

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) however,
- C) nonetheless,
- D) DELETE the underlined portion.

archaeologist was excavating the temple of Ur. The disk's front contains an inscribed image that depicts Enheduanna overseeing a religious **37** procession, the back includes her written dedication of the artifact to Nanna, the god of the moon. By authoring the dedication

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) procession; and,
- C) procession;
- D) procession

song for you.” [4] Scholars suggest that the use of first person again establishes ethos because she is identifying herself **39** to, gods and mortals alike, as the author of this “song.” [5] When she describes her political exile, she

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) to gods and mortals alike
- C) to gods, and mortals alike
- D) to gods and mortals alike,

storm.” [6] In addition, as researcher Roberta Binkley points out, her appeal to the **40** sympathies of Inanna and her readers when describing her difficult situation **41** have shown pathos, the rhetorical strategy of persuasion using emotion. **42**

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) sympathies' of Inanna and her readers
- C) sympathies' of Inanna and her readers'
- D) sympathies of Inanna and her reader's

May, Make Up 2021

the quality of their scientific research. However, both the public at large and scientists themselves would benefit if scientists' training were to include the development of effective communication **2** skills: the public would learn about exciting and important research findings, while scientists would see increased support for their work.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) skills,
- C) skills
- D) skills, and

United States. While most researchers will not reach as many people as **5** these celebrated figures have, scientists today have many means of publicizing their research, including **6** blogs; magazine articles, and interviews. To take maximal advantage of these

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) blogs; magazine articles;
- C) blogs, magazine articles,
- D) blogs, magazine, articles,

In the 1960s and 1970s a new genre of **12** music, rock en espanol, (rock in Spanish) emerged from the Rio de la Plata region of Argentina and Uruguay. **13** Rock

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) music, rock en espanol (rock in Spanish),
- C) music, rock en espanol (rock in Spanish)
- D) music rock en espanol, (rock in Spanish),

accordion. By the 1960s, however, the guitar-and-drums music popular in the United States and Great Britain—rock and roll—was captivating young audiences all over the **16** world. Including in the Rio de la Plata region. Argentine musician Gustavo Santaolalla wanted to play rock music but not just copy what English-speaking bands were doing. "I didn't want to create the Beatles in

American politicians. [2] This generation included Kurt Schmoke, who was elected mayor of Baltimore in **25** 1987, and Jesss Jackson, who campaigned for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1984 and 1988.

Ifill led the way for a new generation of journalists. CNN reporter Tanzania Vega **32** says, that Ifill was: "a beacon for so many of us [journalists], women of color especially."

The appearance of flowers on a plant marks a change from the **34** plants' growth phase to its reproductive phase. This change begins when a plant responds to

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) world, this includes
- C) world: and including
- D) world, including

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) 1987 and Jesse Jackson
- C) 1987, and, Jesse Jackson,
- D) 1987 and Jesse Jackson,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) says that Ifill was
- C) says, that Ifill was,
- D) says that, Ifill was:

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) plant's growth phase to its
- C) plant's growth phase to their
- D) plants' growth phase to their

flowering. In each of the mutant varieties, two **41** genes, FLM and SVP, were found to have mutations that disrupted the relationship between flowering and temperature.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) genes FLM and SVP,
- C) genes, FLM and SVP
- D) genes FLM, and SVP,

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